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public criticism, by firm diplomacy, and by time with its moral enlightenment.

**STUDIES IN THE AMERICAN RACE PROBLEM.** By Alfred Holt Stone. With an Introduction and Three Papers by Walter F. Wilcox. New York: Doubleday, Page & Co., 1908. 555 pages. Price, \$2.00 net.

The Negro problem is presented from the Southern and Northern point of view, Mississippi, in the person of Mr. Stone, joining with Massachusetts, in the person of Walter F. Wilcox, in a series of papers in which the writers try frankly to discuss racial conditions in both sections of the country. They aim rather to describe the conditions than to draw conclusions upon their material, their point being to bring out the facts and leave to others the task of making inferences from them. The predominating part of the book is done by Mr. Stone, who writes in a fair, scholarly spirit about matters which it is often difficult for a Southerner to discuss temperately or for a Northerner to understand at all. Mr. Wilcox's contributions are mostly statistical, but confirm or are in part explained by the articles by Mr. Stone. The titles of Mr. Stone's chapters are: "Race Problem Contrasts and Parallels," "Foundations of Our Differences," "The Negro in the Yazoo," "A Plantation Experiment," "The Economic Future of the American Negro," "Race Friction," "Mr. Roosevelt, the South and the Negro," one of the most interesting chapters in the book, "The Negro in Politics," "The Mulatto Factor in the Race Problem," a factor that is often overlooked but must be specially taken into account. Mr. Wilcox's papers are on "Negro Criminality," "Census Statistics of the Negro," and "The Probable Increase of the Negro Race in the United States." The whole book is interesting and throws light upon difficult phases of the problem.

**DRUGGING A NATION.** The Story of China and the Opium Trade. By Samuel Merwin. New York: Fleming Revell Co. 212 pages. Price, \$1.00 net.

Mr. Merwin's personal investigations of the opium trade in China were first published in *Success* in 1907 and 1908. With the help of photographs, Mr. Merwin explains the methods of preparing, transporting, storing and using the drug, as well as its effects upon its victims in the localities where its use has been most noticeable. The responsibility for the opium evil, now so grave as to cause national deterioration in China to an extent that something must be done by other nations to aid her, rests, in the author's judgment, primarily, on Great Britain. As the phrase goes, "The mischief is in China; the money in India." The British government in India, from the days of Warren Hastings down, has depended to a large degree upon revenues derived from the exportation of opium. Hope for the future is found in an agreement by the British government, made after strenuous popular agitation, to decrease this exportation by about eight per cent. a year for three years in order to study the effect of its diminution upon China herself. It is expected by the friends of the opium reform that the Chinese government will coöperate in the redemption of its people by measures calculated to stop the production and sale of the drug at home. Mr. Merwin's study introduces the reader to a novel chapter in international ethics. It is an appeal to help a people who have been only too long afflicted by a curse for which their neighbors have been even more to blame than themselves.

**LES PRIX NOBEL IN 1906.** Stockholm, Sweden: Published by a committee named by the Corporations charged with the awarding of the Nobel Prizes.

This is the sixth volume in the series. It contains the account of the awarding of the Nobel Peace Prize to Theodore Roosevelt in 1906, for his great services in calling the Hague Court into activity in 1902, in initiating the second Hague Conference and in arresting and bringing to an end the Russo-Japanese war; it contains also an account of the awarding of the four other prizes. It is illustrated with portraits of the laureates. It is a most valuable addition to the literature of the history of the peace movement.

**THE GARDEN YARD.** A Handbook of Intensive Farming. By Bolton Hall. Philadelphia: David McKay, Publisher.

This charming book of 317 pages, by the author of "Three Acres and Liberty" and "A Little Land and a Living," well printed, well bound, instructive, entertaining, almost humorous in places, is written for "the plain man or woman who has a backyard or back lot, out of which he or she might make part of a living or more than a living." Mr. Hall does not pretend to write in scientific phraseology, but he has managed to pack into his pages about all that is worth knowing in regard to cabbage, corn, turnips, carrots, peas, beans, parsnips, horse-radish, potatoes, sweet potatoes, onions, cauliflower, spinach, lettuce, cress, celery, strawberries, sweet corn, asparagus, rhubarb, and a lot of other things about which most backyard "farmers" know little. He tells where to plant, how to plant, how to prepare the soil, how to water, etc. It is a good, sensible book with some "whopping big stories" in it, and the study of it will add much to the welfare and peace of mind of many a backyard gardener.

**DER KRANKE KRIEG.** By A. H. Fried. Leipzig: Alfred Kröner. 169 pages, paper. Price, 1 mark net.

This is Mr. Fried's latest and probably his best work. He treats in an intelligent, comprehensive way the international situation to-day. He discusses the question of a European war, that of armaments, and that of world organization, and shows that the processes of human society are clearly working out a new order in the life of states and of peoples. To those who read German the book will be found most instructive and helpful.

### Pamphlets Received.

**INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION.** By Justice Joseph B. Moore of the Supreme Court of Michigan. Reprinted from the *Michigan Law Review*. 10 pages, octavo, and cover. Address the author, Lansing, Mich.

**CONDITIONS AND FUTURE OF THE PHILIPPINES.** By Erving Winslow. Senate Document No. 81, 61st Congress, 1st Session.

**CHERRY FEASTS FOR BARBAROUS FOURTHS.** By Asenath Carver Coolidge, Watertown, N. Y. 36 pages and board covers. Written in the interest of a civilized Fourth of July.

**VÄRLDSOMRÖSTNING.** By K. P. Arnoldson. Stockholm: P. A. Norstedt & Son. Nobel Prize Lecture for 1908. In Swedish.

**POUR L'ARBITRAGE.** By Gilbert Bowles, English Secretary of the Japan Peace Society. 30 Koun Machi, Mita, Shiba, Tokyo. 110 pages. In Japanese.

**L'ALLEMAGNE ET L'ARBITRAGE.** By P. R. Eickhoff, Member of the German Reichstag. Introduction by Senator d'Estournelles de Constant. Published by the Association for International Conciliation. Paris. Delagrave, Publisher.

**WAR, ITS SOURCE, CYCLE, END.** By Dr. C. H. Reed, Chicago. Charles H. Kerr & Company. 28 small pages.

**SPEECH OF HON. RICHMOND P. HOBSON** on the Fortifications Bill in the House of Representatives, February 18.